



City of Carlsbad

Office of the Chief of Police

POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS

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POLICE DEPARTMENT DELIVERS GIFTS TO ELDERLY

Members of Carlsbad Police Department's Senior Volunteer Patrol program will be delivering holiday baskets to Carlsbad seniors who are members of the police department's YANA (You Are Not Alone) program ***Monday morning, December 17.***

The YANA program is for Carlsbad seniors who live alone and benefit from having someone check on their welfare on a daily basis. Members of the police department's Senior Volunteer Patrol make daily phone calls or visits to each of the YANA clients. If a YANA enrollee does not respond, the emergency contact is notified and a police officer is dispatched.

On several occasions, Carlsbad police senior volunteers provided emergency aid to shut-in seniors who did not respond to their daily phone call. In each instance, volunteer patrol members discovered the seniors in medical need, provided necessary aid, and summoned fire department personnel.

To register as a YANA client, a senior must complete a short request form, participate in an interview with the YANA coordinator, have an emergency contact person, and be willing and able to respond to phone calls and weekly home visits.

If citizens are interested in enrolling himself or herself or someone they know, they are asked to call Carlsbad Police Department's Senior Volunteer Patrol at (760) 931-2214.

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